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## City Flags at Half-Mast for Captain Paul Pena

San Marcos Mayor Susan Narvaiz has ordered the San Marcos city flag to be flown at half-mast in memory of Captain Paul Pena, a U.S. Army officer from San Marcos killed by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan this week.

Mayor Narvaiz is working with Governor Rick Perry's office for an official proclamation to lower the American flag in Pena's memory, according to official protocol.

"Captain Pena is a true American hero who has made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation," Mayor Narvaiz said. "I urge our community to come together to demonstrate our concern, our support and our gratitude to Captain Pena and to keep his family in our prayers."

She encourages all San Marcos residents to display the American flag, large or small, in memory of Pena, a graduate of the San Marcos Academy in 2000 and the West Point Military Academy in 2004.

"I would like to see San Marcos streets lined with American flags in his honor," Mayor Narvaiz said.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

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